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P&G Case: CM2394M

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: :
Van Dijk : Confirmation No. 7758
Serial No.: 09/902,047 : Group Art Unit: 1615
Filed: July 10, 2001 : Examiner: Simon J. OH

For: RETARDATION OF DISCOLORATION OF DICARBOXYLIC ACIDS

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.